

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2000

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Present: Members Dianne Jacob, Chairman; Ron Roberts, Vice Chairman; Greg Cox; Pam Slater and Bill Horn; also Thomas J. Pastuszka, Clerk.

Public Communication
(No Speakers)

Air Pollution Control Board Agenda Items

1. Mowing Down Pollution
(4 VOTES)
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PCB1. SUBJECT: Mowing Down Pollution
(Supv. Dist: All)

OVERVIEW:

San Diego County residents are proud of their landscapes, especially those in their own back yards. Every summer, thousands of residents fire up their lawnmowers to cut down the grass that has grown so long over the spring. Many of these lawnmowers are gas operated and have been shown to have a detrimental effect on the air quality. To reduce the amount of pollution generated by these gas mowers, I am proposing the first ever lawnmower trade-in program for San Diego County. Under this program, an owner of a working gas lawnmower can trade it in for a voucher from the County to purchase a brand new electrical Black & Decker mower. The goal is to remove 500 gas units from operation, which is the equivalent of removing 20,000 cars from the road. This is more than what the Qualcomm Stadium parking lot can hold for a sold-out event. Several of these programs already exist throughout the State and have been very successful. I am hopeful we will have that same success here in San Diego County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The recommended action will result in the Air Pollution Control District receiving \$26,000 in unanticipated revenue from the California Air Resources Board to help fund the lawnmower trade-in program. It will also allow for the expenditure of \$86,000 from over-realized revenue from Fiscal Year 1999-2000 fines and penalties. There is no net County cost and no additional staff years.

RECOMMENDATION:

SUPERVISOR/AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD MEMBER ROBERTS:

1. Establish appropriations in the amount of \$86,000 in the Air Pollution Control District from fund balance from prior year fines and penalties. (4 VOTES)
2. Establish appropriations in the amount of \$26,000 in the Air Pollution Control District based on unanticipated revenue from the California Air Resources Board. (4 VOTES)
3. Waive Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, to approve and authorize the Contracting Deputy Director to enter into negotiations with Black & Decker of San Diego and, subject to successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for the purchase of electric lawn mowers for the County's lawnmower trade-in program for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and to take place on the weekend of July 29. Additionally, waive the advertising requirement of Board Policy A-87.
4. Authorize the expenditure of \$12,000 for program administration costs, including lawn mower disposal, advertising and marketing costs, and approve a sole source contract with the District's public education contractor, Nelson Communications Group, for a targeted campaign for the lawnmower trade-in program not to exceed \$10,000.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Member Slater, seconded by Member Cox, the Members of the Air Pollution Control Board took action as recommended, on Consent, and directed the Air Pollution Control District Officer to return to the Board with a feasibility analysis of establishing an annual voucher program to aid consumers in purchasing electric lawn mowers instead of gas lawn mowers.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Slater, Roberts, Horn

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

THOMAS J. PASTUSZKA
Clerk of the Air Pollution Control Board
San Diego County Air Pollution
Control District

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NOTE: This Statement of Proceedings sets forth all actions taken by the San Diego County Air Pollution Control Board on the matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological sequence in which the matters were

taken up.

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